# **Roanoke Connect #25**

**eNewsletter** 

March 14, 2007

#### Dear Stuart,

We are closing in on 1600 individuals who receive this eNewsletter and have documented at least 27 known success stories through this tool. If you have a story to tell, then please share.

For this eNewsletter, we want to focus on upcoming events that will help you connect with a number of influential people in a timely manner. The importance of establishing a personal network of contacts can never be minimized in your job search process. By coming to events, meeting new people and following up with those people, can uncover hidden jobs not typically advertised.

# Bloggers Workshop - March 15

On Thursday, March 15 from 12 noon to 2 pm at the WDBJ 7 Community Room, RoanokeBiz2Biz is hosting a bloqgers workshop for those people wanting to know more about blogs, how to use them and to learn from experts in the region. Having your own blog around a specific topic demonstrates to the rest of the world you have a certain level of expertise. Hopefully, this expertise is what you are selling in your interviews. The cost to attend is \$10 and includes lunch. To register email Patsy at patsy@roanokebiz2biz.com.

## Entrepreneurship Event in Roanoke - April 4

#### April 4, 2007

The City of Roanoke and the Virginia Department of Business Assistance is teaming up with other local service providers to create an <a href="Entrepreneurship Express">Entrepreneurship Express</a>
<a href="Workshop">Workshop</a> at the Roanoke Civic Center Exhibit Hall on April 4. If you are debating about when to start your business, then this FREE EVENT is for you. To register, click here. Over 75 people have already registered and space is limited.

## Career Connection - Job Seeker Workshop - April 4

After the Entrepreneurship Fair on April 4, plan to attend a job seeker workshop at 5:30 - 6:30 pm (location TBD) in a partnership with Career Connection who specializes in assisting job seekers with their careers. To participate in this FREE event, email Dave at <a href="mailto:dcl@careersva.com">dcl@careersva.com</a>.

# Roanoke and NRV Career and Lifestyle Fair - April 18

## Owens Banquet Hall on the campus of Virginia Tech

On Wednesday, April 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the City of Roanoke and Delta Sigma Pi will be hosting the <u>Roanoke and New River Valley Career and Lifestyle Fair</u> sponsored by <u>MyHometownJobs.com</u> on the campus of Virginia Tech. Only organizations from the region will be participating.

# Synchrony

## **Programmer Interns and IT Help Desk Entry Level Position**

<u>Synchrony</u> is seeking summer interns and an entry level IT help desk support person. For more information on these and other opportunities, email Ken at <u>ken.kerr@synchrony.com</u>.

# Sycom Technologies

## **Senior System Engineer**

<u>SyCom Technologies</u> is an award winning IT solutions provider specializing in Microsoft, Cisco, EMC and HP related network infrastructure projects. We are currently seeking qualified candidates to join our growing team in Roanoke.

Potential candidates should have a minimum of 6 years experience designing and implementing Microsoft-based network solutions in SMB and enterprise environments. Must have a detailed knowledge of Windows 2003, Active Directory and Exchange along with a strong background in building and supporting networking infrastructures. For the right candidate, training and mentoring will be provided.

For more info, email resume and cover letter to Jeff at

roanokecareers@sycomtech.com.

#### Webmail.us

#### **Various Positions**

One of the fastest growing companies in Blacksburg, <u>Webmail.us</u> - The Email Hosting Company - is seeking people interested in working in the areas of sales, customer advocate, technical reps and customer care reps. For more information, contact Marisa at marisa@webmail.us.

# Farmer's Insurance Group

<u>Farmers Insurance Group</u> has many professional opportunities available locally. For more information, contact Sheree at <u>sheree@ringerinc.roacoxmail.com</u>.

#### Luna Innovations

#### **Need 6 Engineers and 2 Chemists**

Luna Innovations - the region's newest publicly traded company - is seeking individuals at all levels in the field of engineering and chemistry. If you have these skill sets, then contact Lori at <a href="mailto:engebritsonl@lunainnovations.com">engebritsonl@lunainnovations.com</a>.

#### MatWeb

## Salesperson / Online Advertising

<u>MatWeb</u>, a division of <u>ACI</u>, is currently looking for a salesperson to grow into the roll of taking charge of their online advertising. For more info, email Dale at <u>dale.kipp@matweb.com</u>.

# Express Personnel

#### Various professional positions

For more information on these positions, email Michelle at: Michelle.Glynn@ExpressPersonnel.com

(1) Bilingual Receptionist, (2) Inside Sales Assistant, (3) Part-time Office Assistant- schedule: Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday 8-5 and Thursday afternoon, (4) Receptionist Openings-experience required

For more information on these positions, email Tiffany at: Tiffany.Worstell@ExpressPersonnel.com

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(1) Business to Business Sales, (2) Quality Assurance, (3) Sales Manager, (4) Help Desk Representatives, (5) Buyer/Planner, (6) Maintenance Technicians, (7) Materials Manager, (8) Maintenance Managers, (9) Graphic Design, (10) Electronic Technicians, (11) Financial Analyst, (12) Field Service Technicians, (13) Accounting Positions, (14) Granite Supervisor

## Links

#### **Helpful Links**

One reader asked that we add links to local government web sites. In addition to our normal popular links, we also have included some of these job links for government work.

MyHometownJobs.com **Express Personnel** Renick Group Major Employers RoanokeWantsU

City of Roanoke Roanoke County City of Salem **Botetourt County** Franklin County Montgomery County

# MyRetailRoanoke.com

The Office of Economic Development at the City of Roanoke has created a platform for people to vote on what retailers they would like in Roanoke called MyRetailRoanoke.com. In about a month, over 2600 people have submitted 16,000 votes. Help us reach our goal of 10,000 registered users.

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